

Mr. A. Narayana Menon (Vyttila).—Was no report of the recent Municipal Conference received by Government?

Mr. M. P. Cherian (Joint Secretary to Government).—It is not a conference contemplated by the Municipal Regulation. Government is not to send reminders for the submission of such reports. They are not expected to send their reports.

Village Libraries—Speech of Mahakavi Vallathol.

119. Mr. A. V. Moothedan (Chalakkudi).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

whether their attention has been drawn to the following passage in the speech of Mahakavi Vallathol as reported in 'Gomathi' of 25th Kanni 1112:—

“വായനശാലയില്ലാത്ത പ്രദേശം ആത്മാവില്ലാത്ത ശരീരംപോലെ നീർ ജീവമാണ്. ഒരു പ്രദേശത്ത് ഒരു വായനശാല ഉണ്ടായിത്തീരുന്നത് ആ സ്ഥലത്തിന്നു പ്രാണൻ ഉണ്ടായിത്തീരുന്നതിന്നു സമമാണ്”.

Mr. M. P. Cherian (Joint Secretary to Government).—Yes.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (Chalakkudi).—Do the Government appreciate the principle laid down in the article? Do the Government agree to the sentiment expressed there?

Mr. M. P. Cherian (Joint Secretary to Government).—Government do not agree.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. രാമൻമേനോൻ (Mulakunnathukavu).—മഹാകവികൾ അതിശയോക്തി ഉപയോഗിക്കുന്നവരാണെന്നു ഗവണ്മെന്റിനു റിയാക്ഷൻ? (ചിരി.)

Mr. M. P. Cherian (Joint Secretary to Government).—But Government think it is one point in favour of that.

District Registrars—Different grades of pay.

120. Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty (Pazhanji).—Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons why the District Registrars all doing the same work are placed in four different grades, while the Sub-Assistant Surgeons in the Medical Department all doing the same work are placed in a uniform grade?

Mr. M. P. Cherian (Joint Secretary to Government).—Are the Sub-Assistant Surgeons are not placed in a uniform grade. The question does not, therefore, arise.